## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS,** parks, recreation activities and leisure experiences provide opportunities for young people to live, grow and develop into contributing members of society; and

**WHEREAS,** parks and recreation create lifelines and continue life experiences for older members of our community; and

**WHEREAS,** parks and recreation generate opportunities for people to come together and experience a sense of community through fun recreational pursuits; and

**WHEREAS,** parks, playgrounds, ball fields, nature trails, open spaces, community and cultural centers, and historic sites make a community attractive and desirable places to live, work, play and visit to contribute to our ongoing economic vitality; and

**WHEREAS,** parks, greenways and open space provide a welcome respite from our fast-paced, high-tech lifestyles, while protecting and preserving our natural environment; and

**WHEREAS,** parks and recreation agencies touch the lives of individuals, families, groups and the entire community, which positively impacts upon the social, economic, health and environmental quality of our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Randy Sparacino, Mayor of the City of Medford, do hereby proclaim July 2022 as

## PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

and encourage all citizens to celebrate by participating in their choice of leisure activities.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2022.

Randy Sparacino Mayor of Medford